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FOLLOWING REPEAT TANANARIVE 2019 ACTION SECSTATE DTD 14 DEC

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E.O. 11652: NA

TAGS: CGEN, PINS, OTRA, MA

SUBJ: VISA REQUIRED BEFORE ARRIVAL IN MADAGASCAR

1. IT IS NOW VIRTUALLY IMPOSSIBLE FOR NON-OFFICIAL TRAVELLERS
ARRIVING IN MADAGASCAR WITHOUT VISAS TO ENTER THE COUNTRY.
VISAS WILL NOT RPT NOT NORMALLY BE ISSUED AT THE AIRPORT.
EVEN OFFICIAL TRAVELLERS WITHOUT VISAS MUST HAVE PREARRANGED
AIRPORT VISAS BEFORE BEING ADMITTED. AIRPORT VISAS ARE VALID
FOR ONLY 24 HOURS AND APPLICATION FOR EXTENSION MUST BE MADE
WITHIN THAT TIME.

2. WHEN IMPRACTICAL TO OBTAIN VISAS IN ADVANCE, EMBASSY WILL
ATTEMPT TO ARRANGE AIRPORT VISAS FOR OFFICIAL TRAVELLERS
AND FOR BUSINESSMEN. HOWEVER, NOTHING CAN BE GUARANTEED.
THE BEST ASSURANCE OF BEING ADMITTED INTO THE COUNTRY IS TO
HAVE A VISA BEFORE ARRIVING.

3. ACCORDING TO MALAGASY MFA, IF NON-OFFICIAL TRAVELLER INFORMS
NEAREST MALAGASY EMBASSY OR CONSULATE OF TRAVEL PLANS, AIRPORT VISA
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WILL BE ISSUED ON ARRIVAL IN MADAGASCAR. EMBASSY, HOWEVER,

CAUTIONS THAT THIS PROCEDURE IS NO GUARANTEE THAT VISA WILL BE
ISSUED.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: PLEASE PASS THIS MESSAGE TO ALL DIPLOMATIC
AND CONSULAR POSTS AND TO APPROPRIATE U.S. GOVT AGENCIES.
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